

Dedication

This issue of the NEWSETTE is dedicated to Captain Dwight Warren Ryther, until recently Dean and Vice-President of the William Jennings Bryan University, and faculty adviser for the NEWSETTE. Wearing his uniform as a Captain in the Chemical Warfare Division of the Army, Dean Ryther registered most of the students for the coming year, and in turn the students, new as well as old, joined the staff of the University in seeing Dean Ryther off on the afternoon train of September 25. After a brief period of intensive training, Captain Ryther will be engaged in active service for our country. We are confident that he will be serving Christ as a faithful witness to God's matchless grace in the giving of His Son.

We believe in showing our appreciation to the living. The "Alabaster Box" is filled to overflowing. Words are inadequate to express our appreciation for the faithful, tireless service of "Dean Ryther." Beginning service for the University twelve years ago, he was the oldest resident staff member in point of service. Only our Field Director, Mr. Elmer R. Walton, who began his service for the University in 1927, has been with the University a longer period of time. There is hardly an experience possible to a staff member in a young, struggling and growing institution, that has not been an experience of Dean Ryther's at some time or other during his twelve years of service. As fathers and mothers sacrifice their lives for the welfare of their children, so has Dean Ryther spent his life here in the service of Christ. No student came too early in the morning or too late at night for him to meet him at the train or bus. If midnight oil was to be burned, if some emergency was to be met at any hour of day or night, he stood ready to help in any way that he could. Instances of his tireless service could be multiplied.

It was Dean Ryther who helped plan for the publication of the NEWSETTE. He coined the name,

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Captain Dwight W. Ryther

BIBLE CONFERENCE OPENS

When you receive your NEWSETTE, the twelfth annual Bible Conference of the University will be in session. As indicated by the September NEWSETTE, Pastor George Schmeiser of the Fellowship Church in Philadelphia is to be the main visiting speaker. Other visiting speakers will be Rev. Wm. I. Barkley of Belle, West Virginia; Rev. Henry C. Geiger of Livingston, Tennessee; Pastor R. B. Jones of Chattanooga, Tennessee; Dr. Harold C. Mason, of Winona Lake, Indiana, and Dr. E. H. Shank of Camdenton, Missouri. In addition, the Bible teachers of the University, including Dr. Harris H. Gregg, will have a part in the conference. Please pray for God-given blessings.

In Appreciation

While it has seemed appropriate to dedicate this issue of the NEWSETTE to Dean Ryther, we are not lacking in appreciation for the faithful service of other former and present staff members. Those remaining assume newer and heavier responsibilities as we press forward in the work during the present national emergency. Had not the need been so imperative for training in Science, President Rudd would not be teaching the beginning course in Chemistry, and Professor Fish might not be teaching the course in Physics. The willingness of staff members to assume new responsibilities is illustrated by Mrs. Hartman who was in charge of the Boarding Department during the summer and who is the new Director of Social Activities. In addition, she will have charge of the Laundry Department. She is to be commended on her success in the Boarding Department and we predict similar success for her in her new responsibilities.

In this connection we wish to make special mention of the staff members who for various reasons are not back with us this year. Professor Roy McMurtry, affectionately known as "Dr. Mac," because he was the University Physician as well as Science Professor, is still in Dayton. His years of sacrificial service merited a promotion and a larger salary. We congratulate him on his selection as Head Chemist at the T. V. A. Watts Bar Dam.

Miss Julia Anna Yancey, Librarian and Instructor in Music and Art, while not able to remain in Dayton, is still with us in heart. Valued as one of our most experienced and versatile staff members, we greatly regretted to receive her resignation to accept employment nearer home. Many friends came to know and love Miss Yancey as the one who trained the Gospel Singers and accompanied them on several summer trips.

As our own graduates, as well as talented staff members, we bid God-speed to Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Llewellyn. Mr. Llewellyn is employed in a vital war industry.

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—God Above All—

A Thought for Our Day

If we work upon marble,
It will perish;
If we work upon brass,
Time will efface it;
If we rear temples,
They will crumble into dust;
But, if we work upon immortal souls,
If we imbue them with principles,
With the just fear of God,
And the love of fellow man,
We engrave on those tablets
Something which will brighten all
eternity.

—Daniel Webster.

New Faculty Members

NEWSETTE welcomes new faculty members as well as new students to "the Bryan Family." The Rev. Garner Hoyt, a brother of Lowell and Solon Hoyt, former students, expected to go to Africa as a missionary, but since he could not secure passage he agreed to serve here this coming year. He is teaching the courses in French and New Testament Greek. He comes well prepared for teaching these courses, having studied several years in France and having served as instructor in French while finishing his seminary training at Grace Theological Seminary.

Mrs. Hoyt is serving most acceptably as librarian and instructor in art.

We are also fortunate in securing Mrs. George Pettit to teach Spanish and several courses in English. She is also assisting in the music department. Mrs. Pettit is a graduate of Columbia University and served several years in Puerto Rico, where she learned to speak the Spanish language fluently. Her natural ability and years of experience in public and private schools, fit Mrs. Pettit admirably for her work here. Best of all, we appreciate her excellent testimony as a spiritual and mature Christian. We know our friends join us in thanking God for these new staff members.

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APPROVES BRYAN IDEALS

The degree of interest, on the part of our friends, in the Lord's work here is not only indicated by their giving and praying but also by what they write us. The letters included in NEWSETTE from time to time are only samples of what our friends write us. The following letter speaks the sentiment of many friends:

Washington, D. C.
July 3, 1942

My Dear Mr. Fish:

As occasion permits, I am happy to send an offering to Bryan University in memory of its great founder. No American ever served his generation more nobly, more effectively, than did William Jennings Bryan. I should know, for his generation was my own. I think he was born in 1860—so was I.

He stood for all the principles that this country and, indeed, all countries, needed for guidance. A strong champion for righteousness, he lived and died for it. The forces of evil were organized against all that he gave his life for.

Those same evil forces finally succeeded in leading our beloved America to take the first backward steps, legally, that we have ever taken, in the repeal of the Eighteenth Amendment.

As I read your publication from time to time, I feel impressed that Bryan University holds those high Christian ideals that will help America to return to the correct moral and spiritual standards of life which were held previous to this decade of retrogression that is now closing.

May the dear Lord lead and guide both teachers and students!

Very sincerely,

Agnes J. Sherwood.

FRIENDS ARE DISCOVERED

Someone has wisely said, "Friends are discovered, not made." That is very blessed. We have been experiencing its truthfulness. Again and again we have been amazed at the favor, nothing less than the favor of God, before others. But the most wonderful thing about God-given favor, God-given friends, is that we have not sought them for ourselves or for the sake of what we could get out of them. "The rich hath many friends." There is a reason. But how wonderful to discover our friends—not try to make them. When we cease our self-seeking, cease seeking friends for our selfish selves, then God gives us friends, His friends—

SCHOOL DAYS

The first day of school, like the last day, is a time of excitement. New faces, scurrying trains and busses, trunks, suitcases, boxes, a touch of homesickness here and there, but withal a happy, serious-minded group of young people eager for the opportunity of education that is now theirs—these are the impressions of the first day.

They are coming, as they have for many years now, from the north, the south, the east and the west. A girl from the state of Washington, another from Saskatchewan, Canada, and still other students from Pennsylvania, Michigan, Louisiana, Arkansas, Florida, Virginia, West Virginia, Tennessee, New York, Ohio, Iowa, Missouri, Mississippi, New Jersey, North Carolina, and Georgia, join with John Quimby, born in China of missionary parents, in making up a student body strikingly cosmopolitan in nature.

After Freshman Day, when the new students were alternately tested, advised, made acquainted, and thoroughly welcomed, the older students, conscious of the superiority which only a sophomore can feel, began to arrive. On Thursday evening a delightful reception, planned by Mrs. J. W. Hartman, was held, at which students and staff had an opportunity for making a formal acquaintance with each other. All were pleased to learn that Mrs. Hartman, wife of Prof. Hartman, head of the music department, was to plan and direct social activities for the year.

Under construction and nearly complete are four large rooms on the ground floor opposite the library. For several years, requests have come from young married couples that they might be enrolled as students. The University has heretofore had no facilities to house them, but this new construction—done, incidentally, without use of critical materials—will bring them to the campus as an integral part of the student body.

Purposing fervently that academic achievement and Christian character shall be the goals, the University looks forward to a school year that shall gird students and staff alike for the vital responsibilities that are or will be theirs.

and ours. Wonderful Saviour, Wonderful Friend, Wonderful Life that never shall end. In the sufferings and sorrows of life we discover what a Friend we have in Jesus and how much treasure we have in His friends—*Prairie Pastor.*

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which has since been adopted by others for their brief and newsy publications. It was Dean Ryther who took his car, loaded with other staff members and students, to hold the initial service in the work sponsored by the Christian Service Association in outlying churches, chapels and schoolhouses. He trained the first group of Gospel Singers. He took the first motion pictures to record the life and growth of Bryan University. He planned the use of the slide pictures this past summer to help take the place of the trip by the Gospel Singers, when it was seen that the shortage of gas and rubber would make the trip next to impossible. He took the pictures and carried out the plan.

After doing the necessary correspondence with students and prospective students this past summer, he printed the September NEWS-ETTE almost single-handed. As indicated above, the registration of the students completed Dean Ryther's work and he left with his house in order. He left us an excellent example of being ready when our Lord calls us, for some other service or at His coming.

As this is written, Dean Ryther, now Captain Ryther, has been gone only a week, but we miss him more than we could have imagined possible. As much as we miss him, we are glad to spare him for service to God and country, trusting that God will preserve his life in spite of every conceivable danger for further service here, should the Lord tarry.

NO ATHEISTS IN FOXHOLES

The following incident, as related by Col. Warren J. Clear, of the United States Army, shortly after he returned from Corregidor fortress, is being frequently related these days.

"Once, during a particularly violent raid, I leaped into a foxhole, only to find a sergeant already there. We squeezed in together. Presently I found myself praying out loud. The sergeant was praying, too. He prayed almost as loud as I did. When the attack was over, I turned to him and said, 'Sergeant, I noticed you were praying.'

The Sergeant didn't bat an eye. 'Sir,' he said, 'there are no atheists in foxholes!'—*Baptist and Reflector*

Job 9:2. "I know it is so of a truth: but how should man be just with God?"

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Old Glory



A salute delivered by Dean D. W. Ryther at the annual Bryan Birthday Banquet, March 19, 1942:

To you, Old Glory, I address this salute—

They said it back in '76 and '77, Old Glory, when Betsy Ross had just completed your red and white stripes, had sewed into the field of blue the last five-pointed star, not long after the silence of midnight had been shattered with the clatter of hoofs, and the dark streets resounded to the cry: "Awake! To arms! To arms! The Red-coats are coming." And they came—but they did not stay long, Old Glory, and you flew at last over a land of freedom.

They said it again in '61, when Washington's streets first whispered, then spoke, and finally wailed that McClellan had been defeated and the rebels were rushing forward to take the capitol. And they were rushing forward, Old Glory, but you were there through it all, to fly at last over a United States bound with a chain called *freedom*.

They said it again in '17, for the U-boats were taking their heavy toll, the French were falling back, Belgium was gone, the English going. And it was true—but you went across the waters, and we had twenty more years of freedom.

Yes, Old Glory, they said it those times—"Too late, and too little"—but they weren't quite right about it, were they? You were too late—we admit that. But you were *not* too little.

And now, in '41 and '42 they're saying it again:—"Too late, and too little." At Pearl Harbor, bombs, torpedos, and ack ack guns.

At Guam, at Wake, at Manila, at Corregidor, Old Glory, you were too late, and grasping yellow fingers clutched at the halyards and drooped you to the earth while derisive, grinning faces chanted in unison, "Too late and too little."

But as you were coming down, a million or more like you flew proudly against the clouds and knew your fall was not in vain. You'd rise again. And a hundred and seventeen million Americans laid aside their playthings to take up tools and go to work. And we who are gathered here tonight speak for them as we shout to the grinning Hirohito, to the king of dupes, Mussolini, and to *der Fuhrer* himself: "Too late—sometimes—but too little—never!"

As we salute you tonight, we pledge that your white stars and stripes, standing as they do for purity, shall not exceed the purity of our determination that "too little" shall not be written into the history of our nation. We pledge that the heavenly blue of their background, standing as it does for loyalty, shall in nowise be deeper than our loyalty to these United States of America. And, finally, we pledge that the scarlet of your stripes, the symbol of American blood shed that you might fly over a land of freedom—we pledge that this scarlet shall not have been shed in vain, but that we, too, as God gives us the power, shall if need be renew its brilliance in the sacrifice of ourselves.

In saluting you tonight, we paraphrase the words of Nathan Hale: "I have but one life to offer for my country. God grant I may have the privilege of doing so."

IN APPRECIATION

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We had fully expected Miss Babette Kaltenbach, Instructor in Romance Languages since 1939, to be back with us, but during the summer she found employment in a publishing house of Christian literature, and decided that the Lord would have

her engage in a new work for Him. We likewise pray for God's blessings on her as she seeks to serve Christ in a new field of service.

We confidently expect that God will return at least some of these former staff members to the Bryan University Family at the termination of the war, or in later years, should the Lord further delay His return.

Sam's Letter

Dear Folks:

The students are back in school again, with many new ones here for the first time. Every staff member is busy trying to do his bit for God and Country. I feel a big responsibility

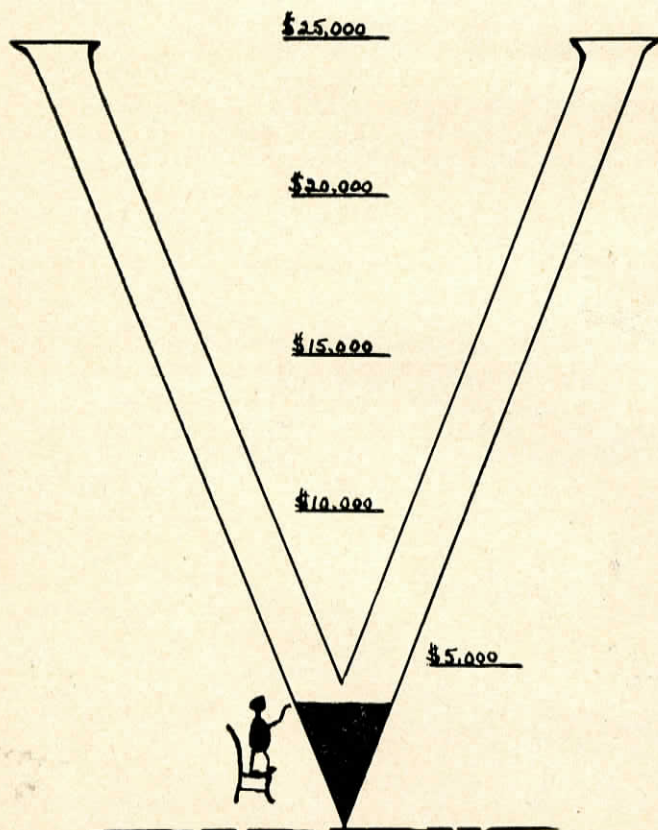
for the University finances. We must keep the Lord's Army well supplied if we are to gain the victory. We did better in September, thanks to many smaller gifts. We can do still better in October.

Yours for the Victory in Christ,

Sam

September Gift Receipts

435\$ 5.00	474 1.00	513 2.00	552 25.00
436 3.50	475 5.00	514 1.00	553 5.00
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Receipts to September 30.....\$3,922.05

Total.....\$1191.80

Alumni Notes

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Llewellyn, '38 and '39, and family are now living in Bridgeport, Conn., where Mr. Llewellyn is employed with the Bridgeport Brass Company.

Miss Ruby Brimer, '35, is a school teacher in Hamilton County, Tennessee.

The last word from Jesse Lassley, '38, indicates that he is stationed with a medical battalion in Camp Barkeley, Texas.

Among alumni employed in Dayton are Mrs. A. M. Morgan, '34; Juanita Pendergrass, '37, and Mary McPherson, '38, all of whom are school teachers.

After a year of service with the YWCA, Rebecca Peck, '40, writes of an open door and call into the Lord's vineyard in Detroit, Mich., where she will be associated with the Hebrew Christian Mission and Rev. Kendal. Our prayers will follow Rebecca in this new field of endeavor.

Elizabeth Moore, '38, who is employed in the Adjutant General's office of the War Department in Washington, was in Dayton for a visit recently.

From the class of '42, Lowell Hoyt, and Mrs. Hoyt, nee Lola Goehring, are attending Grace Seminary in Winona Lake, Indiana, and Warren Lee Oliff is a student at Westminster Seminary in Philadelphia. Two are serving in the armed forces: James Doud in the army at Fort McClellan, Ala., and Mark Levensgood in the navy at Key West, Fla. Though there hasn't been any recent word from Robert Thompson, we understand that he still makes use of his tools in Butler, Penna. Employed at the Hercules Powder Company in Chattanooga are Grace Levensgood and Helen Harrison. And the eighth member of the class, Leona Wilson Theobald, is working and keeping house in St. Paul, Minn.

The marriage of Julius Reeves, '41, and Mildred Swatzell was performed in July and they are living in Memphis.

William Kerr, '39, and Mrs. Kerr are living in Chicago, where Bill is studying at the Northern Baptist Seminary.

"It may be seriously questioned whether a man knows the value of the Gospel himself if he does not desire to make it known to the whole world."

—Bishop Tyle.

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